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SUBJECT : Funds for Construction at [redacted]

TO : CINCUSAFE

Attention: [redacted]

1. [redacted] has discussed with our Project Headquarters your informal request for some monetary assistance in constructing Seaweed storage facilities [redacted]. We are aware of and greatly appreciate the money saved our project by USAFE. Furthermore, we would like very much to make funds in the amount of \$50,000 available to USAFE with which to construct some Seaweed storage facilities at [redacted].

However, in view of our recent decision to occupy Adana, Turkey and with no formally planned use of [redacted] even as a staging base, we find it difficult to justify transferral of funds to USAFE for such construction. Additionally an Agency allocation of funds to USAFE for their construction of Seaweed storage facilities at [redacted] might prove embarrassing both for the Agency and the Air Force if the Accounting Office were to question such a transaction.

2. In an effort to help USAFE, the Agency is willing to use \$50,000 of its funds to apply against USAFE programmed construction costs at either [redacted] or Adana. This would free \$50,000 of USAFE funds which might then be diverted to cover Seaweed construction facilities [redacted]. This arrangement would be quite straightforward and could be completely justifiable to any audit inspection.

3. If this proposal meets with your approval, we will take action to arrange the monetary transaction.

SIGNED  
J. A. GIBBS  
Col., USAF  
Deputy Project Director

Cy 1 - [redacted] (by hand of [redacted] 11 May 56)

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